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Commissioner Jane Henney
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5630 Fishers Lane, Rm. 1061 (HFA-305)
Rockville, MD 20852

RE: Genetically Altered Seeds/Food

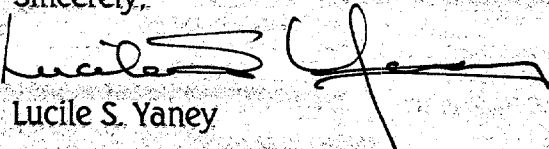
Dear Ms. Henney:

As a restaurant owner, I am having difficulty in trying to obtain information from our farmers and local produce market concerning the identification of genetically altered food. I have heard, and am repeating this to my customers, that organic is now going to be required to not use genetically altered seeds. However, one of my organic farmers has said that he cannot get some seeds that are not genetically altered.

Many of my customers have now reported major wheat allergies that they had not had previously. They believe this is due in part to genetically altered seeds. Therefore, I would like to be able to take a stand that I do not serve any foods from these seeds. We are about 90% organic.

I would like to add my voice to encourage a policy of labeling genetically engineered foods. Thank you.

Sincerely,



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